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STATE LEVEL AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH EXTENSION COMMITTEES
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has any proposal to develop and to transfer technologies to the farmers;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the ICAR proposes to set up State Level Agricultural Research Extension Committees;

(d) if so, the details and functions thereof; and

(e) the time by which these Committees are likely to be set up?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTILAL BHURIA)

(a) & (b): The Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR) has created a network of Krishi Vigyan Kendras (KVK) in 551 rural districts of the country, aiming at technology assessment, refinement and demonstration of technology/products and its dissemination through training of farmers and extension personnel. These KVKs have been sanctioned under State Agricultural Universities, ICAR institutes, Non-Governmental Organizations, State Governments and other educational institutions.

(c) to (e): Each KVK has a provision of Scientific Advisory Committee to review and guide the implementation of KVK activities. The Council has no proposal to set up State level Agricultural Research Extension Committees.